## Action Plan-2

- · Financial Plan-Federal, State and Regional Resources
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- Meeting Federal Project Requirements

**Environmental** 

Major Investment Analysis



Commuter Rail Plan

APPENDIX B

Conceptual Stage Study

## PROJECT: DPM-D011(001), Fulton County P.I.# 770310, Atlanta Multi-Modal Passenger Terminal

The Georgia Department of Transportation will assist families or individuals in finding and relocating to decent, safe and sanitary housing which is adequate to meet their needs and within their financial means. Assistance will also be given to businesses, farm operators and nonprofit organizations in relocation to other quarters. This assistance is provided to families, individuals businesses, farms and nonprofit organizations in the form of moving expenses in order for them to relocate. In addition, owner or tenant occupants of residential housing being displaced will be provided financial assistance for certain other incidental expenses: such as, closing cost and increased interest payments required in their purchase of a replacement home.

This project will possibly displace (1) vacant business (for sale) and three (3) tenant occupied businesses, which appear to be minority operated. Displacement of these businesses will affect approximately thirty (30) employees of which most appear to be minorities. Every effort will be made to assist these businesses in relocating in the same area, rather than other areas or closing entirely. Various agencies within the area, as well as private agencies, will be enlisted to assist in this endeavor. There are two (2) types of businesses to be displaced on this project. First, there is the type that do not serve the individual needs of the residents of the areas in which they are located. The second is of a nature that a lot of their business does come from the neighborhoods in which they are located but they are not unique.

Therefore, it is felt that their relocation, should they elect to do so, would not adversely affect the other residents of the neighborhoods, as there are other businesses, of a similar nature, within close proximity to serve the residents of the area.

In the event there are no replacement sites available at the time of acquisition, or if relocation is not within their financial means, the business may qualify for "in lieu of" payments. An "in lieu of" payment is defined as a payment to be made to a business that, (1) cannot be relocated without a substantial loss of its existing patronage, and (2) is not a part of a commercial enterprise having more than three (3) similar establishments not being acquired by the Department. "Existing Patronage" is the average net annual earnings or clientele of the business during the two taxable years immediately preceding the taxable year in which the business is displaced. Any such payment determined will not be less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$20,000.00.

In addition to personal field inspection by Right of Way personnel, the foregoing information was obtained from various realtors, newspapers, and individuals in the area.

Our analysis indicates no adverse affects caused by the proposed project on neighborhoods, housing or community services in the project area.

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